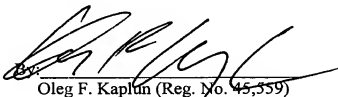


REMARKS

Claims 39-41 have been cancelled. Claims 1-10, 12-15, 19-24, 28, 29, 31, 33 and 36-38 have been amended. The Abstract has been amended. Thus, claims 1-38 are now pending in the present application. No new matter has been added. It is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are new, non-obvious and useful. An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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